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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Church on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to help special citizens celebrate milestones in their venerable lives; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 1945, Betty Jean Smith and Harry Monroe Church were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this loving couple has shared the joys and sorrows of life's journey, facing the world as one; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Church are residents of Johnson City and have been highly respected citizens of their community for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Church have served with acumen as president and vice president, respectively, of Church Brothers Company in Johnson City; and

WHEREAS, the Churches are the very epitome of good neighbors, always ready with a kind word and eager to lend a helping hand to those in need; they are active members of the local senior citizens center, the Johnson City Chamber of Commerce, and the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's blessed union has produced four children, each of whom has made his or her mark on the world and is highly successful in their own right; they are Harry Alan "Skip" Church, Karen Church Griffith; Wayne Keith Church, and Dennis Neil Church; and

WHEREAS, the Churches are delighted to be called Grandpa and Grandma by their four beautiful grandchildren, Jennifer Jean Griffith, Kelly Denise Griffith, Tiffany Michelle Church and Haley Danielle Church; and

WHEREAS, for 50 years this union has endured to stand as a testament to the power of love and family; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as this are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to honor and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Church as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the Churches with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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